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News Release

Iowa FFA Announces 2024 Stars Over Iowa Finalists

ANKENY, Iowa--The 2024 Stars Over Iowa Finalists were selected for recognition as part of the 96th Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference at Hilton Coliseum in Ames, Iowa, April 14-16, 2024. Twenty-two finalists were selected in four different areas: Agribusiness, Agricultural Placement, Agricultural Production and Agriscience. The finalists were selected from a pool of 793 FFA members that will earn the Iowa FFA Degree—the highest honor the Iowa FFA Association can bestow upon an FFA member.

The star awards recognize students who have developed outstanding agricultural skills and competencies through their career development programs and demonstrated outstanding management skills. These finalists will be interviewed and an overall winner in each area will be announced on stage during the 4th General Session of the Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference Tuesday, April 16th.

Stars Over Iowa finalists receive a plaque and a cash award. The Stars Over Iowa program is possible with support from Beck's Hybrids through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Listed below are the Stars Over Iowa Finalists.

Star Finalists in Agribusiness:

Jordan Everitt, Elkader
Taryn Odens, George
Lilly Henry, Rock Rapids
Reagan Clarahan, Sigourney
Brendan Hudson, Wayland
Laina Sangwin, Sioux Rapids

Star Finalists in Agriscience:

Cole Wessel, Eldridge
Benjamin Woodall, Paullina
William Licht, Story City
Libby Hageman, Dyersville

Star Finalists in Agricultural Placement:

Kody Hoeger, Delhi
Mathias Knoblock, Inwood
Shealin Wiemann, Maquoketa
Tori Bearman, New Hampton
Keaton Funk, Rock Rapids
Ethan Graber, Mount Pleasant

Star Finalists in Agricultural Production:

Taylor Quade, Charles City
Jeremiah Rediske, Decorah
Ellen Roemen, Inwood
Brooklyn Booth, Manning
Elli Blackford, Osceola
Skylar Coffey, Humeston

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 19,700 student members as part of 263 local FFA chapters across Iowa. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. The Iowa FFA Association was organized by delegates from 23 schools at Iowa State College on May 17, 1929 and is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The Iowa Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to local agricultural education programs. For more, visit the Iowa FFA Association online at IowaFFA.com, on Facebook, and Twitter.